All District Engineers

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Special Provision for Truck Bed Release Agent

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This special provision was developed by the Bureau of Materials and Physical Research based on recommendations from the Hot-Mix Asphalt Technical Working Group. It should be inserted into all bituminous concrete Superpave contracts, including Low ESAL, Base Course/Widening, Stabilized Subbase and Shoulders.

The districts should include the BDE Check Sheet marked with the applicable special provisions for the April 23, 2004 and subsequent lettings. The Project Development and Implementation Section will include the paper copy in the contract.

This special provision will be available on the transfer directory January 9, 2004.

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TRUCK BED RELEASE AGENT (BDE)

Effective: April 1, 2004

Add the following sentence after the third sentence of the first paragraph of Article 406.14 of the Standard Specifications.

"In addition to the release agent, the Contractor may use a light scatter of manufactured sand (FA 20 or FA 21) evenly distributed over the bed of the vehicle."

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